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GEORGE B. FISHBEIN, President. Secretary, Mrs. M. J. Fishbein. Treasurer, N. P. Public.

The advance agent of prosperity will soon be on his way to the national capitol.

Now we understand why Ben Harrison declined all overtures to enter the presidential race in 1896.

Constitutional amendments counted in while you wait—for particulars apply to the fusion majority of the Nebraska state legislature.

As president of the National Reform press and general of the Industrial Legion of America, Paul Vanderwart cuts a great swath.

Congress remains in session Washington's birthday, but the legislature of Nebraska could not think of working on such a sacred day.

Taxpayers are waiting with trembling heart and bated breath to see what economies the Board of Education will put into operation this week.

Tom Stankey's opinion of Corbett has been given to the American people. Tom Stankey, like Samson, has slain many Philistines, with the jawbone of an ass.

Will nobody say anything about Mr. Corbett or make some reference, however slight, to Mr. Fitzsimmons, for the relief of hearts surcharged with anxiety?

Governor Bushnell has reconciled himself to Mark Hanna in the senatorial chair, and the clouds of war which darkened the political horizon of Ohio have been dispelled.

If, as is reported, the League of American Wheelmen will come to Omaha in 1898 for the asking, the asking ought to be accomplished with celerity and emphasis.

It is not only living Greece that is an exceedingly lively Greece that is standing off the whole armament of the allied powers in the cause of Christianity and civilization against Mohammedanism and barbarity.

The bar of Buffalo county seems to be so glad to get Congressman-elect Greene off the district bench that its members could not express their joy in any other way than by giving the departing judge a farewell banquet to speed him on his way to Washington.

The imaginative Canton newspaper correspondent may now try his hand at constructing President McKinley's inaugural address for him in advance of its composition by the president-elect. Anything to accommodate the public with news in advance of its occurrence.

President Kruger evidently believes that it is always easier to cut down a little bit of indemnity than to raise it after it has once been presented. That may explain his modesty in asking Great Britain for only \$80,000,000 for damages wrought by the Transvaal raiders.

One of the German papers suggests that Germany occupy Crete itself until Greece pays its German creditors what it owes them. If the great nations of Europe want to rent out their military forces as collection agencies they might drive good bargains in several parts of the world.

And now rumor has it that President Cleveland has been taken with the hook-writing mania. Other ex-presidents have written books, however, and we have no doubt the public can accommodate another volume or two on its shelves providing it is a real addition to the literature of the country.

If the official designation and popular observance of a "bird day" will tend to instill a love for the feathered songsters and a knowledge of their habits into the minds of the people, by all means let us have a bird day. And let women's hats on that day be adorned with something ornithological and appropriate.

Unlike Secretary Carlisle, the new secretary of the treasury will have to go without a son in the position of chief clerk and willing to bear the blame for everything that may go wrong in the Treasury department and to take the complaints for removals and appointments that are not calculated to please the whole world.

IT WILL BE SENATOR HANNA.

The question of a successor to Senator Sherman, which has been agitating Ohio republican politics and commanding more or less attention throughout the country ever since the announcement of Mr. Sherman's selection to the secretary of state, is settled. Governor Bushnell has announced that he will appoint Mr. Hanna and it is highly probable that he had never thought of appointing anybody else, although there has been a strenuous effort to make it appear that the governor was hostile to Hanna, that Senator-elect Foraker did not want the chairman of the republican national committee as a colleague, and that these leaders and their followers were prepared to introduce discussion and discord into the ranks of Ohio republicans by turning down Mr. Hanna. That there were other aspirants to Senator Sherman's seat is true, but there is reason to believe that none of them was ever very seriously considered by Governor Bushnell. It is also doubtless true that the governor was unimpaired as to the appointment by any sort of agreement, yet he must have felt that he was under some obligation to respect the known desire of the president-elect, which was distinctly approved by the more numerous body of the republicans of the state, as well as to conserve party harmony there.

At any rate, the announcement that Mr. Hanna will succeed Senator Sherman will be received by republicans generally with favor, as an entirely fitting recognition of his services to the republicanism of the state. Mr. Hanna could undoubtedly have had his choice of cabinet positions, with the exception of secretary of state, but he preferred to go to the senate. In that body he will be a vigilant and loyal supporter of President McKinley's administration and can probably be of greater service to it than if he were a member of the administration. The term of Senator Sherman will expire on March 3, 1899, so that Mr. Hanna will have two years to serve under appointment of the governor.

REED AND THE LOBBYISTS.

Congress is always infested in the closing days of the session with a horde of lobbyists, not a few of whom are ex-members who are employed because they have the privilege of going upon the floor of the house and making arguments to individual members concerning pending bills. Speaker Reed has taken steps to put a check upon this practice and while the lobbyists and their employers may be expected to roundly denounce him, his action will be applauded by the country. By order of the speaker ex-members of the house cannot get admission to the floor without showing cards entitling them to that privilege. A Washington dispatch says they do not go to the speaker for cards of admission, because to do so is to acknowledge that they are lobbyists. It is undoubtedly true that an effective measure of checking the lobbying business as it has been carried on, but something should be done to break it up altogether, if it is possible to do so. Perhaps the congressional lobby is not quite so great an evil now as it has been in times past, but it is not a thing that should receive any countenance or toleration. That persons interested in legislation should desire to present their views to congressmen is natural and to be expected, but they should be compelled to find the place and time for doing this elsewhere than on the floors of congress when that body is in session. The invasion of the house by ex-members for the purpose of lobbying is a flagrant abuse of the privilege accorded them which no self-respecting man would be guilty of and in his effort to stop this abuse Speaker Reed has nothing to fear from the denunciation of such men.

THE STATE BANK TAX.

There is a very strong sentiment in the country favorable to the repeal of the 10 per cent tax on state bank issues. It is mainly in the south, where the view largely obtains that the tax is unconstitutional, but it is not confined to that section. There are advocates of a removal of the tax in the east and west, among whom are practical financiers. Some of these urge that it would be better to go back to the old system of state bank issues than to perpetuate the existing currency system, with its various forms of money. But most of the advocates of the repeal of this tax do so on the ground that it would give a greater volume of currency and generally they are not very solicitous as to the character or quality of the currency.

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When this question was under consideration in the Fifty-third congress there were two propositions submitted by the friends of repeal. One was that it should be made conditional, thereby leaving the states free to authorize the issue of notes by state banks subject only to state regulation. It was urged that the right to do this belonged to the states and that they were being unjustly deprived of that right. The other proposition was to repeal the tax upon the condition that the issue of notes by state banks should be subject to regulation and supervision by the federal government. The southern representatives were practically unanimous for unconditional repeal and they had some allies from other sections, but this element was in the minority. Hence nothing was done with the question beyond discussing it. There are indications that it may be again brought forward in the next congress and that the proposition to repeal the tax may find some influential support.

INVADING THE ENGLISH MARKET.

The report that 50,000 tons of steel rails have been sold by the Carnegie company to English railroads is commented upon as signaling a turning point in the trade relations of the two foremost iron and steel producing countries of the world. It is certainly a most interesting commercial fact that an American manufacturer of steel rails was able to undersell British manufacturers in their home market and it suggests great possibilities. Experts of our manufacturers have had a marked increase during the last two years and there seems to be every reason to expect that they will continue to grow. It is suggested that this sending rails to Eng-

land is likely to have a most beneficial effect upon our trade with the world. It can hardly fail to increase the prestige of American manufacturers in other countries, and may reasonably be regarded as a distinct step toward American supremacy in the commercial world. But our progress in this direction should not persuade us to abandon that policy under which our manufacturing industries have been so highly developed. The fact that our manufactured products are growing in favor abroad does not warrant the conclusion that they have no further need of any protection. It may reasonably be urged, indeed, that they do not now require so large a measure of protection as at an earlier period of their development and nobody proposes that they shall have, but it is a grave mistake to assume, as the anti-protectionists do, that there is no further necessity for guarding the great American market against a possible deluge of foreign competition. The policy that has made the United States the greatest manufacturing nation of the world is the part of wisdom to still adhere to, modifying it from time to time as changed conditions shall make expedient.

SHOULD BE DEALT WITH AS CRIMINALS.

Again the country is treated to the spectacle of a state official entrusted with public funds falling to protect the rightful owners of the money. The case of J. S. Bartley, the state treasurer of Nebraska, who has just been discovered to be \$37,782 short of the amount of state moneys placed in his possession during his term of office, is a warning to the public to be on their guard against the possibility of other commonwealths to take more care in the selection of state officials, and to build stronger safeguards against the possibility of such a disaster. The danger is emphasized by the performance of another Nebraska official, Auditor Eugene V. Moore, who is alleged to have embezzled about \$27,000 of cash collected from insurance companies.

CONQUERING THE TRADE WORLD.

Selling state bonds in England is a good stroke of business, and it would be well to follow it up in a few years by selling beef sugar to Germany. Om Paul's Little Bill. President Kruger has decided that he wants a trifle over \$8,000,000 from Great Britain to square himself for that Jameson raid, and he is making his request in the most impressive tones in which he made the others.

FEELING THE PUBLIC PULSE.

To the end that he may have the views of the newspaper editors of the state Governor Mount has requested the publisher to send him marked copies containing opinions of measures now before the legislature. Governor Mount holds that the editors are in a position to better learn the general opinion of the people than anybody else.

A BAIT FOR BAYARD.

The English people have been at a loss for some time to find some suitable gift as an expression of their gratitude to Ambassador Bayard. Mr. Bayard has carefully looked after the interests of Great Britain for four years, and it is worthy of the great nation that she should make some fitting acknowledgment of his uniform fidelity. A round of dinners does not seem to have been sufficiently impressive, for dinners have been given to him by the ambassador, as it were, throughout his term. But happily the thought has occurred to one genius to give Mr. Bayard a bait of himself, and this settles the affair at once. The suggestion amounts to a positive inspiration, and could not possibly be improved on. A bait of Mr. Bayard cannot fail to give Mr. Bayard infinite delight.

PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

If the proposition to send five members to see the prize fight fails to pass the Missouri legislature it will probably be because of the impossibility of agreeing upon the fortunate individuals.

NEBRASKA'S DISGRACE.

The state treasury of Nebraska is short over half a million as between its assets and its liabilities. The state auditor is also said to have been lost through the pernicious practice of the treasurer doing a banking business without collateral with his particular friends. The state auditor is also involved and a criminal prosecution is threatened. One would have thought that the object lesson furnished in South Dakota a year or two ago would have been a warning to state treasurers everywhere, for Walter Taylor would not now be doing time if he had not accumulated too many of his friends with state funds.

THE GREEK BENT.

Philadelphia Record: Little Greece is making a brave effort to live up to her historical reputation in learning that the majority of all the liberty lovers in the world belong here.

THE HOMESTEAD LAW.

Recollections of the Original Act and the First Entry. Congressman Galusha H. Grow of Pennsylvania, the venerable member of the present house of representatives and ex-member of the congresses of the '50s, addressed the house on the day of the passage of the bill relieving settlers from payment on Indian lands. In the course of his remarks he said:

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A LONG LOOK AHEAD

It takes a steady hand and a clear eye to see into the future with any certainty with the spy-glass of experience. It isn't always easy to know just what may be wanted. That is why we have been talking in our advertisements of things we have to sell and of things we ought to have sold long ago.

It is getting pretty late to sell winter goods now, so if there is anything you want you may be sure of getting it at rather less than anywhere else, and—more than that—of getting something better.

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